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Protection Offered By Peiping Consul

Peiping, Dec. 23. — The British Consul here is laying plans for the protection of Danish, Norwegian and Swedish interests in this area, Associated Press learned today.

British Consul Martin Buxton, in a public notice has invited all nationals of the three countries to register their names and addresses with him.

The American Consulate, meanwhile, announced that 44 Americans have been stranded in the Communist controlled areas surrounding Peiping. They are stranded of their own choice. All had the chance of coming into Peiping when the Reds were approaching the city but chose to stay where they were.

Forty-two of them are in the Tsinghsan and Yenchiang universities in the northwestern outskirts of the city.

PEIPING ISOLATED
The remaining two are at Tung-hsien, a little walled town 12 miles east of Peiping. Both belong to the American Mission board.

Isolated Peiping, today ended a week without electric lights. Within the past 24 hours running water has been shut off, the Reds having captured the waterworks in the northeastern suburbs of the city.

Luckily there are many artesian wells here. Sale of water from these man-operated wells has become a thriving business.

Authorities have ordered every house to display a lighted lamp at the front door during hours of darkness because the power from Tientsin which kept the streetlights going has been cut.

Apart from light skirmishing, at one or two points along the Peiping front all has been quiet in the past 24 hours. The night passed without the boom of a single gun being heard in the city.

About 25 educational leaders and their families left Peiping Tuesday aboard special planes sent here from Nanking. Included were Doctor Mei Y-chi, President of the National Tsinghua University.

AIRFIELD READY
The craft took off from the new Polo ground, field overlooking the legation quarter. The new airfield being built in the grounds of the Temple of Heaven is expected to be ready on Thursday.

In Peiping the price of food continued to soar as most farm lands which normally supply the city are now banding on Red held territory.

Enterprising taxi drivers are substituting for streetcar services in some localities because of the power cut-off.

In some localities the price of kerosene jumped to an unprecedented high of 550 yuan (about US\$1) a gallon, much too expensive to allow the poorer classes anything except limited use of this fuel for their lamps. —Associated Press.

EDITORIAL

Politics In Schools

HIS Excellency the Governor has recently made two very pointed references to the teaching of Communist ideology in Hongkong schools, and they are certainly not out of place. It has been an unhappy feature of too many Chinese schools for years past to mix political doctrines with academic studies. The Communists are not the only ones who have, and still continue, to exploit this insidious form of propaganda. There is no room for it in Hongkong. While the Colony has always been willing to permit freedom of speech and publication embracing a variety of political creeds, it is asking too much that it should countenance prostitution of the proper functions of educational institutions by political propaganda. The ordinary academic curricula provide quite enough studies to keep students fully occupied without distracting them with biased political theories that may, in the long run, be intended to encourage young people to indulge in anti-Government activities to the detriment of public security. In permitting political organizations to operate within well recognized and accepted limits, Government is following one of the principles of democracy. But so far as these activities are concerned, the general public retain the right to accept, reject, heed or ignore the various propaganda which emanate from these organizations. It is a different matter when the same ideas are forced into the minds of schoolchildren as part of their ordinary daily studies. The children are denied the freedom of adults of being able to both reject or ignore the deliberate attempts at political indoctrination. For them it is made an integral part of their education, and because of this it is dangerous and must be stopped. The amended Education Ordinance, before the Legislative Council yesterday there appeared a section which is expressly designed to stamp out this poisonous influence from the Colony's schools. The Governor in Council is to be empowered to deregister schools and teachers where he is satisfied that the conditions under which those institutions and their staffs have been registered are being violated. Obviously great care will have to be taken in the exercise of that power. There must be no suggestion of victimization or suppression of the ordinary liberties in the conducting of schools. It is presumed that where evidence is forthcoming of political propaganda studies being included in a curriculum, the offending school teachers will first be warned of the consequences of continuing the offence, and that the special powers vested in the Governor will be employed only when it has been shown that a school and its staff refuse to abide by the regulations. There will be general support for the basic proposition that political propaganda in schools should be forbidden, but there should be no interference with studies in political science and economy where these are pursued through standard text books.

Seven Japanese War Leaders

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Owing to the Christmas holidays, there will be no publication of the Hongkong Telegraph on Christmas Day (Saturday). Publication will resume on Monday, December 27.

The South China Morning Post will appear on Christmas Day, but there will be no issues of the paper on Sunday or Monday. Publication will resume next Tuesday.

Tomorrow (Friday) the Telegraph will produce its usual Saturday magazine features, and the size of the paper will be 14 pages.

No Information On Madame Chiang's Plans

Washington, Dec. 22.—The Acting Secretary of State, Mr. Robert Lovett, told a news conference today that he had no information regarding Madame Chiang Kai-shek's plans.

Chinese sources said Madame Chiang had remained at the Leesburg home of the Secretary of State and Mrs. Marshall, where she is staying during her visit.

In answer to other questions, Mr. Lovett said the situation in China was still confused. He said the State Department had very little information on China's military developments beyond what was reported in the press. He described the United States' policy toward China as unchanged since his last news conference. —United Press.

Found Dead On Roof Of Carriage

Rugby, Dec. 22.—William Kirkpatrick of Maxwell Town, Dumfries, was found dead on the roof of a carriage of the Euston to Glasgow express at Rugby last night.

No ticket was found on the body and it is thought that Kirkpatrick boarded the train before it left London intending to travel home and when the travelling ticket collector approached he climbed onto the roof of the carriage. —Reuter.

Executed TOJO GOES TO HIS DEATH

Hangings Performed In Secrecy

Tokyo, Dec. 22.—General Hideki Tojo, wartime Premier of Japan, and six other Japanese leaders, condemned to death for war crimes, were hanged today. The men executed were:

General Tojo: Who harboured hate for Britain and America, and became Japanese Prime Minister in October, 1941, two months before Japan attacked Pearl Harbour. The Tribunal found that he bore the responsibility for Japan's criminal attacks on her neighbours.

Koki Hirota: Aged 70, found guilty of conspiracy to wage aggressive war and crimes against peace, and responsibility for atrocities.

Iwane Matsui: Aged 70, in command of Central China at the "Rape of Nanking," in 1937, found guilty of responsibility for atrocities.

Kenji Doihara: Aged 65, member of the Japanese Supreme War Council, 1940-43, and commander of the Japanese Seventh Army at Singapore, in 1944-45; feared in Manchuria, where he was an important military figure during the nineteenth century as the "arch-agent-provocateur"; found guilty of crimes against peace and ordering atrocities against prisoners of war and civilians.

Heitaro Kimura: Aged 60, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Army in Burma in 1944; guilty of war crimes and atrocities.

Seishiro Itagaki: Aged 63, who took over the Seventh Area Army in Singapore in 1945, guilty of crimes against peace and responsibility for atrocities.

Akira Muto: Aged 56, Chief of Staff to General Yamashita (already executed for war crimes) in the Philippines.

The official witnesses were Mr. Patrick Shaw, the British Commonwealth representative on the Allied Council; Mr. William Sebald, the American member of the Council; Colonel Shang Chen (China), Lieutenant General Deryavsky (Russia), a doctor and prison authorities.

The condemned men were hanged in two groups—Doihara, Matsui, Tojo and Muto, in the first and Itagaki, Hirota and Kimura in the second.

They died with black hoods over their heads. As they walked into the execution chamber, Tojo was identified by witnesses, then turned and walked up the 13 steps to the gallows platform where he again turned to face the witnesses.

SWIFT EXECUTIONS
The executions were swift. Within 90 seconds after entering the death chamber, Tojo and the other condemned had been executed.

Doihara was declared dead seven and a half minutes after midnight. Tojo 10-1/2 minutes, Matsui 11-1/2 minutes, and Muto 13 minutes after midnight.

The condemned men went to their deaths in the same unemotional way as they had heard the sentences passed by the International Tribunal.

They walked to the gallows without assistance, some quietly repeating Buddhist prayers. They were notified of the hour of their execution at one minute past midnight (GMT) on Tuesday when they were taken into the Prison Chaplain's Office two at a time.

After hearing that their final plea to the United States Supreme Court had failed and that the sentences were to be carried out each of the accused asked for an hour alone with the Buddhist priest, Hanayama.

TOJO'S REQUEST
Only one request was made to the priest. Tojo asked to be served Japanese food instead of normal American Army rations on his final day. His request was granted.

In their last hours, the condemned men wrote letters to their wives and their families and made their own farewells to each other.

Hanayama held Buddhist services in a specially constructed cell block shrine.

None of the condemned made any attempt to commit suicide. At no time during their incarceration did any of them commit any acts of violence, an official statement from the Office of the Supreme Commander of the Allied Powers, reported.

No Papers Next Sunday For Britons

London, Dec. 22.—The leading Sunday newspapers will not be published Christmas week-end because of a dispute between the proprietors and the printers.

This means that most readers will be without newspapers for three days as it had already been agreed that none shall appear on Christmas Day or Boxing Day.

It will be the first time for over 28 years that the Sunday press has failed to appear.

The Scottish papers—and the Scottish edition of London newspapers—are not so far affected.

The Newspaper Proprietors' Association announced the decision today after meeting the Printing and Kindred Trades Federation, which represents all workers in newspaper offices.

"In view of the refusal of members of the National Society of Operative Printers and Assistants in a number of London Sunday newspaper offices to work Christmas Day on terms accepted by all other newspaper workers the Sunday papers cannot be published in London and Manchester on December 26," the announcement said.—Reuter.

Tremendous Fires On Outskirt Of Tientsin ARSENAL VILLAGE BLOWN UP

(By Leon Gerstenzang, Reuter's Correspondent)

Tientsin, Dec. 23.—From Tientsin's, taller buildings last night tremendous fires were visible to the north about four miles from the centre of the city. This was the first indication of the destruction of the civil war had entered the wall-less gates of Tientsin, for the flames were consuming Tientsin's east-arsenal village.

I dashed towards the conflagration but enroute met retreating Chinese refugees and among them one foreigner, a Soviet citizen, the owner of a dairy farm.

Jacobs Prejensky, aged 65, told me that for three days he had been trying to proceed to his farm located along the side the arsenal village, where he possessed about 60 milch cows besides calves and poultry.

Permission and the necessary documents were only made available on Wednesday and he drove out along the asphalt road leading to the arsenal.

He found the farm wrecked and looted, while the adjacent village, covering an area of two miles, appeared to have been similarly treated.

FARM ON FIRE

Fires were starting in the village, and he went into the fields searching for his cattle. He found 18 head, but time was running short owing to the curfew, and he decided to resume his search on Thursday.

Returning, he discovered his farm on fire and the village completely enveloped by the conflagration. The east arsenal itself, where French troops were billeted during pre-war extrajudicially days, resembled No Man's Land.

The entire area was mined and confusion reigned amidst the few remaining villages while firing from rifles and automatic weapons was audible slightly southward.

It was reported that the Communists have restored the railway from Tongshan to Hanku, just northward of Tangku.

Although no evidence of actual fighting is yet visible inside Tientsin, Chinese reports declared that in the eastern suburbs the Communists in the Tsanghuang region have attacked Nationalist positions along the Haiho River.

NATIONALISTS WITHDRAW

The attack was repulsed but thereafter the Nationalists were reported to have withdrawn within the protection dam. It was understood that hitherto no Red force was concentrated around Tientsin in appreciable numbers.

The Communist concentrations, according to Chinese sources, include 30,000 in the vicinity of Yangtsun, about 20 kilometres from Tientsin, five regiments in some villages along the eastern suburb.

A traveller arriving on foot from Tangku confirmed that Chinese warships have arrived there but denied that Chinese Marines have landed.

Developing engine trouble, an American military plane landed at Tientsin's emergency Race Course airport yesterday afternoon. The plane came from Peiping, where it picked up the United States Military Attaché, General Soule, the Naval Attaché, Captain Frankel, from Nanking, and four American correspondents.

This group had a narrow escape a few days ago when they landed at Peiping's south field, which came under artillery fire. They left in dispersing the mob.

Action By Dutch Condemned

Possible Threat To World Peace

Paris, Dec. 22.—The United States today called the Dutch attack on Indonesia a possible threat to world peace and asked the United Nations Security Council to order an immediate ceasefire and the Dutch troops to withdraw to end the "dangerous" situation.

The United States delegate, Dr. Philip Jessup, said the Dutch attack was unjustified. Dr. Jessup said the ceasefire ordered by the Security Council on August 1, 1947, continued to be binding on both parties and it had been violated by the recent armed action taken by the Netherlands authorities in Indonesia.

Brushing aside Dutch arguments about Republican truce violations, Dr. Jessup said the Dutch should have reported alleged violations to the Council before renouncing the truce agreement. He said truce officials in Java were given only one hour's notice of the impending Dutch assault.

"The Republican authorities at Batavia were handed a similar letter during the same night, when they could not communicate with their capital, and they were arrested less than two hours later."

SECOND PEARL HARBOR

The Indonesian spokesman, Mr. L. N. Pilar, called the Dutch attack a "second Pearl Harbour." He said the war would go on for years unless it was halted now and he asked for a ceasefire. Dutch withdrawal and release of arrested Republican leaders.

"There is a war going on in Indonesia that will last for years unless it is stopped at once," said Mr. Pilar.

He charged that the so-called infiltrations, which the Dutch asserted as one of the "excuses" for their attack, were merely soldiers deserting the Republican Army to return to their families in Dutch-held territory. This, he said, was a social problem, not a military or political one.

He claimed the Dutch were "gambling away the future of the Netherlands in Indonesia, gambling away her own economic and political well-being and her international prestige."

BASIS OF STRUGGLE

"It has never been our intention that our military command employ a frontal defence. The basis of our struggle is and always has been all-out guerrilla warfare, which will be carried out until we have achieved our final goal. The policy of scorched earth, which will be pursued with all its bitter consequences, is another aspect of this guerrilla warfare. This warfare can and will be carried on for years."

If a Soviet resolution is offered, it would probably brand the Dutch attack as a threat to peace and possibly even call for sanctions against the Netherlands Government, according to sources in a position to know the Russian attitude. This is expected to be too late.

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7 Killed In Rush For Gold Bar Forms On S'hai's Bund

Shanghai, Dec. 23.—At least seven persons were crushed to death and an unascertained number injured, more or less seriously, when an estimated 80,000 people rushed before the Central Bank of China on the Bund—the waterfront on which the largest banks and firms are located—for the application forms which would allow holders to buy gold bars at the official price of GY\$1,000 per ounce plus a year-long deposit of a similar amount with the government bank.

Ignoring the 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew, huge crowds began to appear as early as 9 p.m. to line up in front of the Bank office. By midnight the crowd became so big that the police were unable to control.

In addition to the crowds, some coming by trucks arrived after the curfew and the stampede for the entrance began long before the bank opened at 9 a.m. The people who arrived first were soon squeezed against the wall and crushed. The police battled their way into the midst of the crowds removing the injured persons.

It was feared that many other dead or injured were still in the thick crowd and could not be rescued until the police succeeded in dispersing the mob.

The Central Bank announced that there will be no sales until order is restored.

The mad rush for gold was prompted by the soaring blackmarket price, which this morning was GY\$3,800 per ounce. Buyers do not have to pay for the application forms. However, they can sell the forms for at least GY\$1,000, or more premium. The purchaser can thus buy gold at the official price and make a huge profit immediately.

These were the first casualties in the gold rush in Shanghai. In Hangchow, Hankow and numerous other cities, several persons were known to have been crushed to death in the mad rush.—United Press.

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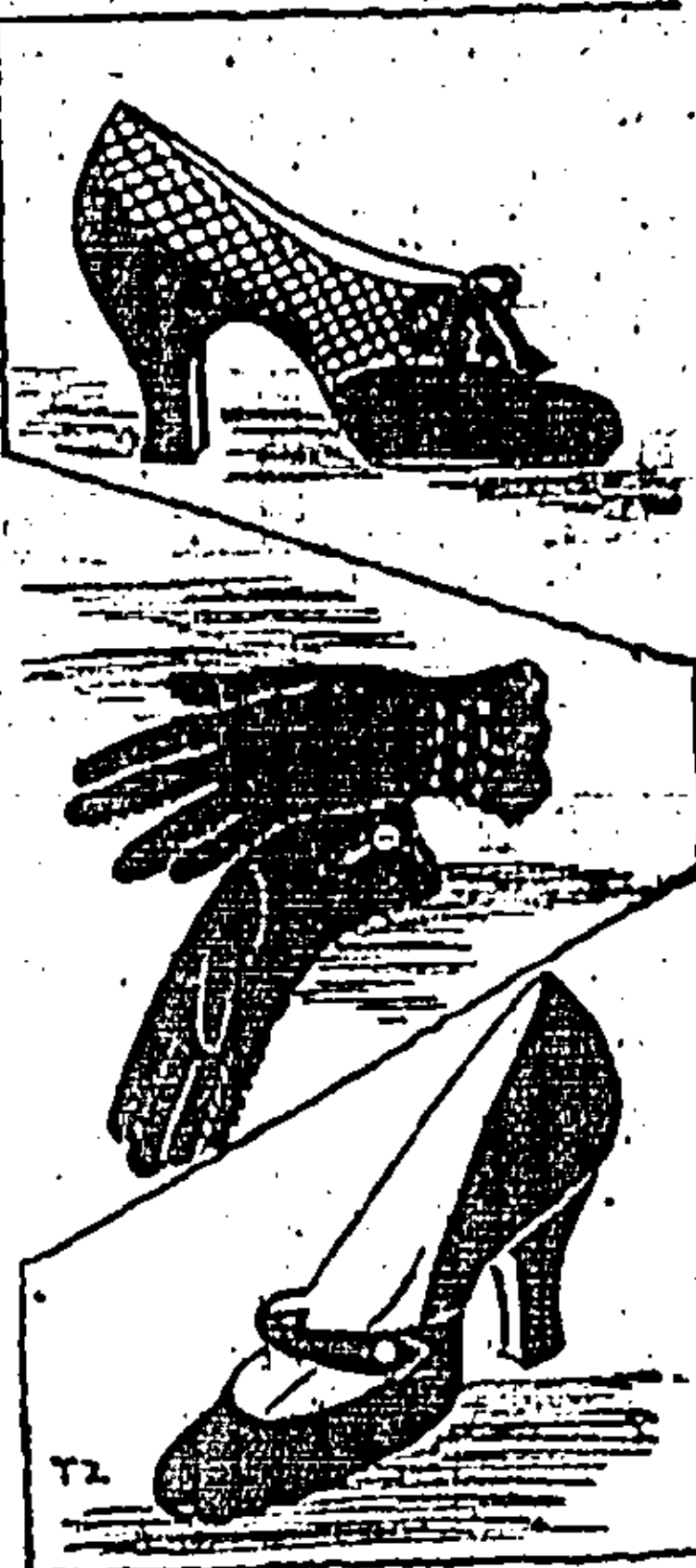
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By GRACE THORNCIFFE

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PUDDING FOR
SMALL FRY

SERVE the children a special pre-holiday "pudding." It looks just like regular plum pudding, but is actually disguised for the youngsters. Soak 2 c. stale bread crumbs, grated, in 4 c. scalded milk until soft. Melt a square of unsweetened chocolate in a small pan over hot water (or in double boiler). Pour the chocolate enough of the hot milk strained from the soaked bread to thin the chocolate until it pours easily. Then add hot chocolate to warm bread and milk, then add 2/3 c. light-corn syrup, 1/4 tsp. salt and 1/2 tsp. almond extract.

Next add 2 slightly beaten eggs, one c. finely chopped dates and one c. finely chopped nuts. Stir mixture briskly but lightly; turn into greased baking dish or mould. Bake for an hour; turn mould out on lace paper dolly. For the holiday touch, put holly sprig on top and pass whipped cream. Incidentally this makes a very good Christmas pudding for small fry whose mothers refuse to serve them really rich foods.

CHRISTMAS
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Dunce's hat in pale grey velvet has a double "pie-frill" brim, tied with a brown silk cord, and a beaver pompon.

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The Spiritual Value Of Christmas

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

IT is not too early now to be thinking of ways to help your child, especially if he is over four or six, to gain some spiritual values in his dreaming about Christmas. Unfortunately, the average child's thoughts for weeks before Christmas are usually pretty highly selfish, centred around gifts he may receive. How much is he going to get at Christmas is what he inclines to think most about.

And this is not strange, as from the first Christmas he can remember, gifts have been heaped upon him on Christmas morning. Rarely has he gained satisfaction from bestowing gifts upon others, gifts which he has purchased at some personal sacrifice or made with his own hands. Then, on Christmas morning about the only thing that dims his pleasure is the disappointment of not receiving some gifts he had so much wanted, or the discovery that some of his play-mates have received more presents or better ones than he has received. Pretty generally the experience of the average child under ten or twelve at Christmas are far more selfish than altruistic. In other words, this attitude of Christmas does many a youngster moral and spiritual harm.

Child's Selfishness
Wishing to lessen this feeding of your child's selfishness, or even to help him gain some of the richest, positive moral and spiritual values through Christmas, you might choose to consider some of the following suggestions:

1. Induce the child to save from his allowance in order to buy one

or more gifts and to go without things like sweets, for this purpose. Such suggestions made by school and public school teachers would tend their influence here. While no parent would encourage a child to buy him, or her a gift, each parent could motivate the child to save and purchase a gift for the other parent.

Hand-Made Gifts

2. Encourage the child to make with his own hands a few Christmas gifts. Many teachers in the kindergarten and primary grades are stimulating and guiding their children in this direction. And when a child makes a gift for you or me, let us truly appreciate this gift, however crude it may be. Let us remember that he made it and put himself into it.

Many children never think of making or purchasing gifts for their parents. They usually need prompting. It's not the money value of the gift that is important but of the gift that is the giver's efforts, how much of the giver's thoughts, feelings have been put into the gift. Anyway "The gift without the giver is bare." The more the child chooses to give up in order to buy the gift the richer the moral and spiritual value to him. A gift that cost a child a dollar which he has saved with great effort or self-denial could net him far more value morally and spiritually than a gift that cost twenty-five dollars that was merely handed to him for the purchase. And when parents merely choose to buy gifts for children to present to others the value can be less than zero—it can do him moral harm.

Begin now, my fellow parent, to think of ways of guiding your child to gain some rich moral and spiritual values from the approaching Christmas.

Buying The Food For Holidays

By ALICE DENHOFF

THE best way we know to start preparations for the holiday season is to make a list of all the foods you think you will need and lay in staples as far ahead of time as possible. Such items as green olives, stuffed, ripe, green olives, cranberries, tiny onions, catsup, cranberry sauce and jelly, fruit cake, cookies, jars of spreads and pastes, nuts, tinned goods of various kinds, preserved ginger and such, can all be garnered ahead of time. They will leave ample time to concentrate on the perishables when actual shopping for the big days ahead gets under way.

Concentrate on casual entertaining as much as possible. If you have sandwich grills, get them ready. Make or buy plenty of delicious cakes and buy plenty of beverages and a bit of holiday cake or cookies. If you plan to do some baking, see to it that you have plenty of fancy cookie cutters. Have at hand, too, such items as angelica and tiny red candles.

Twelve Holiday Cakes

Here is one of our favourite holiday cake recipes: Twelve attractive holiday cakes will be yours if you get things ready. Line 3 eggs and give the egg whites a good beating. Add one c. sifted sugar, a little at a time. Add the beaten yolks. Beat. Add 1/2 tsp. baking powder and one c. flour sifted together, alternatively with 2 tsp. water. Beat between each addition. Flavour with a few drops of lemon and vanilla extracts. Bake in gem pans in 350 F. oven for 15 min. Frost. Decorate before the icing has hardened, with tiny red candles and angelica or citron cut thin—with the scissors—to simulate leaves.

To prepare the icing beat an egg white stiff. Add one c. sifted confectioners' sugar alternately with 1/2 tsp. water, a little at a time. Flavour with a few drops of vanilla and lemon extracts.

SLEEVE INTEREST



New York Dress Institute

By ALICE AIDEN

MANY A DRESS carries its smartness and fashion interest on its sleeve. Bright sleeve interest is at its best in this Anna Miller design for 1948. The slim black wool dress buttons crisply along a raglan line to one bright sleeve of glowing red deeply cuffed and gold-embroidered in an heraldic design. This is a nice frock for general daytime wear on its own now, with furs or under a coat later.

The Man Who Said Santa Claus Is Crazy

By PATRICIA CLARY

HOLLYWOOD—Porter Hall is the unfortunate psychiatrist who had to rule that Santa Claus is crazy.

That was the last straw. The kids in his neighbourhood used to say nasty things to him. Now they don't speak to him at all.

"In a way, this is a kind of a relief," Hall said. "How can a man achieve dignity in his neighbourhood and standing among his friends if small children are always yelling after him?"

"Why aren't you in Alcatraz?" Hall has had a long career as a movie villain, and while it's made him a bank-full of money it hasn't made him happy. People always are making nasty remarks to him and writing mean letters.

He was the psychiatrist, who examined Santa Claus for sanity in "Miracle on 34th Street."

"That was bad," he said, "in view of my previous record. I killed Gary Cooper. In 'The Plainsman,' you won't have any cause to hate me."

Glamourise Your Shoulders



Courtesy RKO Radio Pictures
Movie Star Martha Hyer is careful to give her neck and shoulders regular cosmetic care.

By HELEN FOLLETT

WITH strapless formals still going strong, it is well for a woman to take note of her shoulders. They not only need cosmetic attention, but they must be carried beautifully. Check up on posture habits. Walk an exact column is on the job, as it should be, with never a slump in it, your chest will lift, the arms and shoulders will have an easy pose, the waist will be trim.

If shoulders have become rounded, do back bending exercises to make the muscles stronger and to knock out any little fat cells that may have settled on your upper back. Lift the hands high above the head, hands clasped together. Swing them downward. This is called the "wood-choppers" exercise. Up and down, up and down with plenty of muscle pull. Five minutes of that, then, with hands on hips, take half a dozen deep breaths, inhaling through the nostrils, exhaling through the lips.

Returning to shoulder care: no woman should fail to use a long handled brush when bathing. The flesh there is subject to the friction of one's garments, and it is not unusual for blackheads to develop of which the victim is unaware.

Let's Eat
BY
IDA BAILEY ALLEN

THE CHRISTMAS DINNER

THE Chef and I were seated at the table in the test-kitchen busy with pads and pencils planning the Christmas dinner.

"This year, it's arithmetic," dictated the menu, "I observed. 'It's sheer dollars and cents.'"

"Do you mean, good-common sense, Madame?" grinned the Chef. "I guess we'll have to mix sense with cents," I retorted, "if we expect to serve a gay holiday dinner and have any money left over for the next week's food budget."

"There is no eating problem too great for this Chef to attack," he said. "For the first course I suggest a tomato hors d'oeuvre, garnished with water-cress. The centre allied with crabmeat in mayonnaise. Garnish of the nostrils, exhaling through the lips, Madame."

Out of Season

"But, Chef, tomatoes are out of season and very expensive. We could use instead, a refreshing fruit cocktail of sections of orange and grape fruit, mixed with halved seedless grapes, served in cups shaped like a flower. The centre allied with crabmeat in mayonnaise. Garnish of the nostrils, exhaling through the lips, Madame."

"Excellent!" agreed the Chef. "For the next course I suggest a good mushroom soup," he went on. "Home-made from a beef bone and fresh mushrooms (if available), or from the tin if the dinner is for a small group. For relishes we shall pass crisp celery, pickles and cranberry sauce, out."

Stuffed Turkey

"We can have it if we make plenty of stuffing and gravy so, it will go farther," said the Chef. "It pays to make the stuffing very substantial, then less turkey will be needed for each portion. So I suggest a sausage meat or chestnut stuffing."

"That's good; and you know, Chef, this year silver and pennies are very plentiful and comparatively reasonable in price. They make excellent stuffing too."

"In many countries the little roast pig is the piece de resistance for Christmas," the Chef roused. "I think the fine roast of pork, the roast loin, or a fresh ham from the American corn-fed pigs, with plenty of stuffing baked on the side, is just as fine. And it is much less expensive. I can see it now, Madame, on a big platter, rosy red glazed apples around the edge, a wreath of parsley—"

Roast Pork

Turkey is sold out. Chef—we'll have roast pork as an alternate to

turkey. And let's choose home-y vegetables—plenty of mashed potato to go with the good gravy; squares of baked winter squash; a big dish of buttered onions.

"L'oiseau au bœuf," wrote the Chef. "And I think we can have the nice warm home-made rolls from the quick mix, don't it?"

"For dessert we can have small wedges of the Brazil fruit pudding or warm mince meat tarts topped with scoops of ice cream."

"Which will top off our Christmas dinner a la mode," enthused the Chef. "And if the shopping is done with what we French call l'économie, we shall still eat the next week. But now, Madame, we must plan the everyday menu."

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Wash and pick over 2 c. navy beans. Place in a 3-qt. kettle. Pour over 2 qts. boiling water; cover and let stand 60 min. Then add 1/2 c. chopped celery leaves, 2 c. sliced onions, 2 tsp. salt and 1/4 tsp. pepper. Cover and simmer until the beans are soft, about 2 hrs. (Or use only 1 qt. water and pressure-cook 35 min. at 15 lbs.) Rub through a sieve; add 3 c. whole milk and bring to scalding point. Next, cream together 3 tbs. flour with 3 tbs. ham or sausage fat and 1/2 c. of the hot soup. Stir into the kettle of soup, and cook and stir until boiling, then simmer 2 min. Serve with crisp crackers.

French-Toasted Lunch Meat Sandwiches

Chop 12 oz. luncheon meat very fine with 1 slice onion and 2 tbs. table mustard or salad dressing. Use this as a filling for fullsize white bread sandwiches. Then cut in halves ready to French-toast. To do this, beat 2 eggs until well mixed. Add 1/4 tsp. salt, 1/4 tsp. nutmeg and 1 1/2 c. milk. Dip the sandwiches quickly in and out, and allow to fry until golden brown. First on one side then the other, using butter or margarine. Or use half margarine and half bacon fat. Serve with catsup or chili sauce.

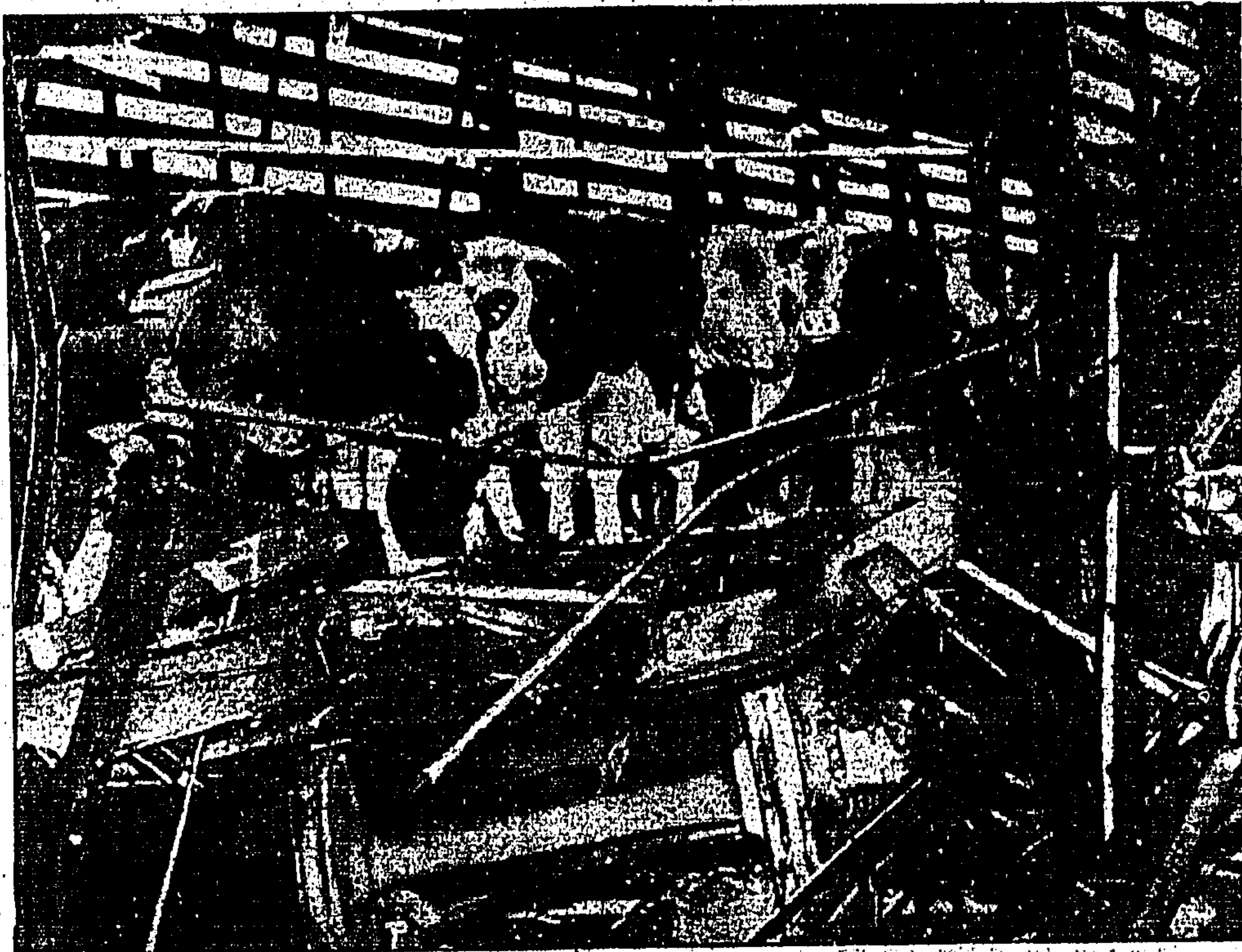
Apple Whip

Break 1 large egg white into a deep pt.-sized bowl. Add 1/4 c. fine-grated raw apple and 1/4 c. sifted powdered sugar. With a hand beater or electric mixer beat the whip until stiff enough to hold its shape. Pour over prune and orange gel.

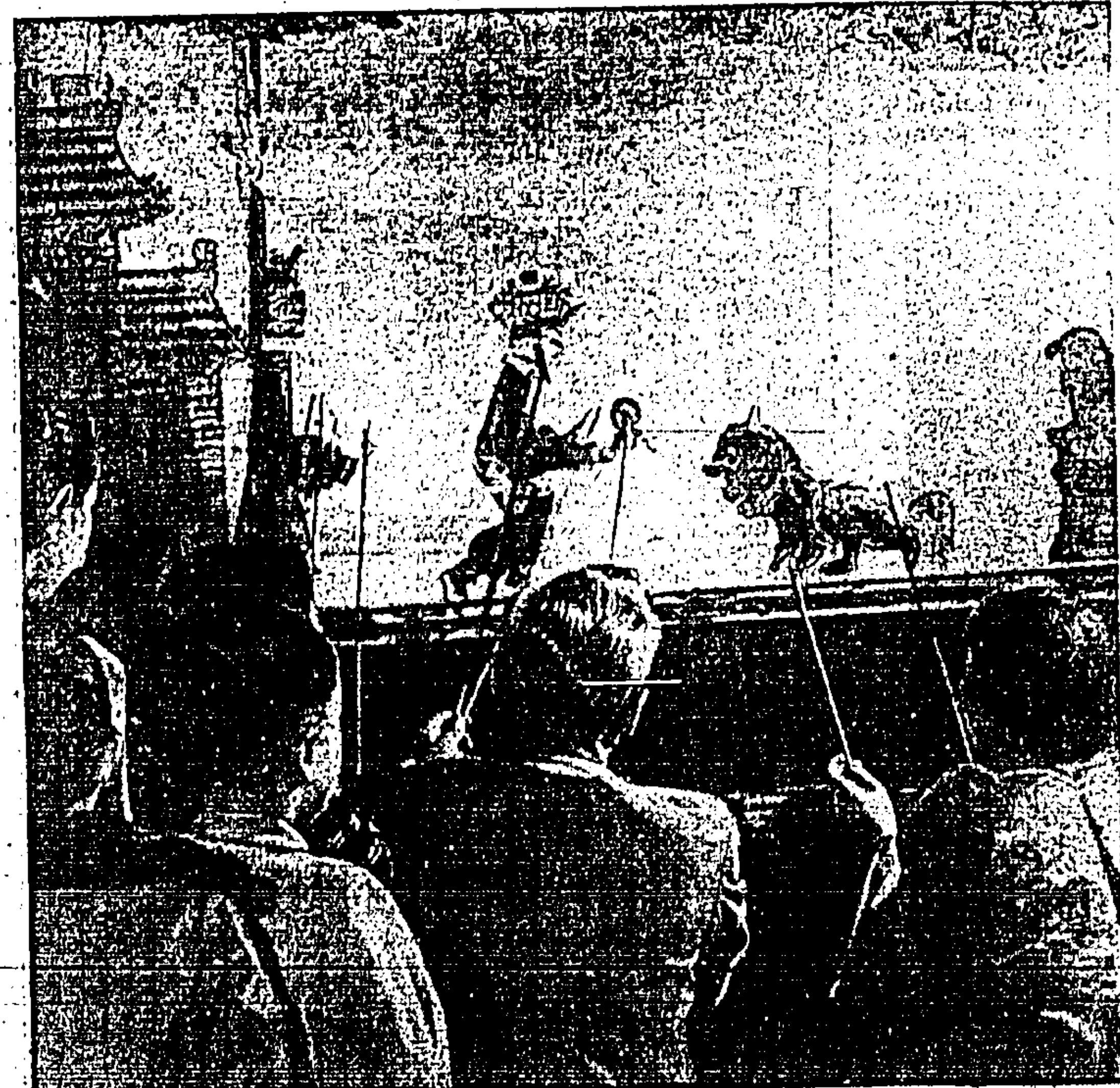
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



HOLD IT!—Acme photographer Ed Hoffman earns his salary the hard way. Assigned to get a picture of San Francisco's Christmas display, the wily cameraman went to work six storeys up. He remembered to tie himself to roof for safety's sake.



WHAT'S ALL THE FUSS ABOUT?—Looking just as complacent and unconcerned as they would in a pasture, these cows are not bothered by the train collision which has strewn wreckage everywhere. Although the cows were unharmed, two crew members were injured when the accident occurred at a cross-over of the Santa Fe and Indiana Harbour Belt railways near Chicago.



CHINESE CLASSICS—Pauline Benton, right, and her assistant, Arvo Wirts, show a group of Chinese children from St Mary's Mission in San Francisco the ancient art of the Chinese shadow play. Classic plays are performed with perforated, highly intricate figurines whose shadows are projected on the screen. Players use their own voices for sound effects.



ONE CENTURY OF LIVING—Agnes Propper seems a bit pensive as she contemplates blowing out the candles on her birthday cake symbolising her 100th year. She is now living at the House of the Holy Comforter in Bronx, New York.



TOURNAMENT OF ROSES—“Childhood Memories” has been selected as the theme of the annual New Year's Day classic at Pasadena, California. Sharon Sterling (left) and Terry Leo McCullom have been selected to announce the choice for the 60th anniversary of the January 1 spectacle, which will draw one million people.



ISRAEL'S TROOPS—Heavily armed Jewish soldiers, using vehicles suited to this type of warfare, move along a highway during the fighting in the Negev, southern Palestine desert. Arab headgear is worn for protection against sand and sun.

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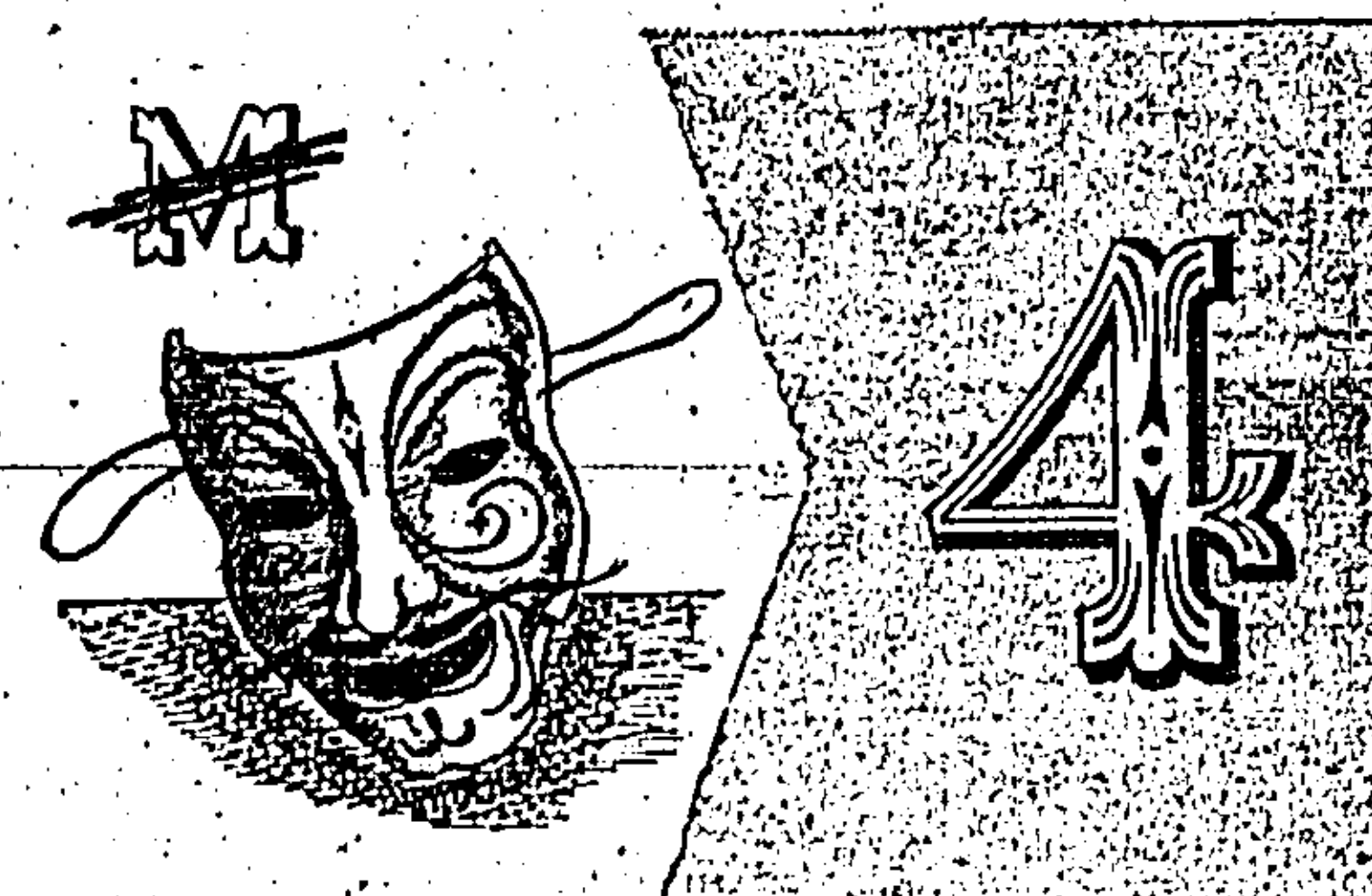
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PEARLY SMILE—Donald Langdon Barrett, 11 months old, of Springfield, Illinois, smiles easily, displaying his 16 teeth of which he is mighty proud. Most babies, according to Mrs Barrett, his mother, take two or three years to acquire that many.



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IS U.N. WINNING THE BATTLE FOR PEACE?

A survey by Australia's Minister for External Affairs,
DR. H. V. EVATT

THE peoples of the United Nations, through their representatives at San Francisco in 1945 when the Charter was written and the organisation established, declared their determination to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war; to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights; to establish conditions under which justice and respect for international obligations could be maintained; and to promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom.

The United Nations is now three years old. How far has it succeeded in accomplishing these aims?

The first great enemy of mankind is war itself. Here

the organisation already has a great deal to its credit. Disputes in many parts of the world have been brought before it. In some cases actual fighting had broken out—for example, Indonesia and Palestine, and each time the Security Council was able to put an end to hostilities—at least temporarily. Sometimes, as in Iran, the United Nations was able to secure positive results by turning the spotlight of public and free discussion on the causes of the disputes and the progress of events.

These are not small achievements, to have stopped bloodshed, and to have kept discussion going when deadlocks had been reached. The principles which the United Nations has followed in these disputes were clearly laid down for it in the Charter. The Security Council and other United Nations bodies have come to accept standard procedures to give effect to them.

My own country, Australia, strove not unsuccessfully during its two years on the Security Council to establish these courses.

In each dispute, the facts of the situation should first be ascertained, if necessary by an impartial body. These facts should be published so that world opinion as well as the Security Council can judge what is happening.

Each dispute, we believe, should be approached on its merits and in strict accordance with the principles of the Charter.

War On Want

THE second great enemy of mankind is want. In many regions, particularly the Far East and other underdeveloped areas, men, women and children are living in conditions of acute poverty, hunger, and poor health. The task of raising standards of living and welfare in these regions is immense and is an international responsibility. International planning and action is also needed to forestall or minimise major economic fluctuations which could cause mass unemployment and depressions.

To promote economic and social progress the United Nations has established an Economic and Social Council; regional economic commissions for Europe, Asia and the Far East, and Latin America; functional commissions to deal with specific technical matters such as statistics and economic stability and employment; and specialised agencies to provide international co-operation in such fields as civil aviation, health, and labour conditions.

This organisational structure has only just been completed. But it has, proved extremely successful, other parts will need modification to take account of experience.

But in three years men and governments have been brought together in a common effort to fight poverty and other economic and social problems.

Human Rights

THE third great enemy of mankind is tyranny and oppression. This is stated positively in the pledge which each member made in Article 55 and 56 of the Charter: to promote "universal respect for, and observance of, human rights and fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language, or religion."

Mr. A. Deland work has been done in this field by the United Nations. These efforts were crowned in the recently finished third session of the General Assembly by the adoption of a Declaration of Human Rights and of a convention for the prevention and punishment of genocide, which is the mass extermination of whole groups of people on social or religious grounds.

Thus, in three years the United Nations has accomplished a great deal in fields of vital importance. It has done more than reasonable men expected in so short a period. Much patient and hard work is necessary and always will be. Everyone can and should share in this work.



Dr Herbert V. Evatt: "These are not small achievements."



In Palestine, where these Arab prisoners are behind barbed wire, the UN has worked to bring peace from the truce.



In Iran, where Azerbajjan children drilled during a war threat, the UN won out by a public airing of the dispute.

Water—that's the secret of Scotch!

—By MORLEY RICHARDS

THOUSANDS of dollars for Britain are at stake in a legal battle now being fought over whisky in Washington.

Now we who succeed once in a while in getting a touch on a wee dram know that the only good whisky comes from Scotland. A steadily increasing number of Americans are coming around to the same way of palate. Five percent of all the whisky drunk in the United States is shipped from Scotland. That represents, say, 36 million bottles, or £8 million a year.

The American blender, uneasy at this Scotch invasion, began to label some of his brands "Scotch type"—a large "Scotch," a tiny "type."

The Scotch industry appealed to the courts to make the label illegal. Scotch, they claim, is like cognac, or port, or champagne, a geographical title, which should be international-ly protected.

So the Americans are demanding the exact contents of Scotch whisky on the imported label.

"The Americans want to know our formula," said one killed brewer (they don't call themselves distillers) in the Highlands. "Why, mon, even if we had to put the exact contents

on the label they couldn't reproduce it. You ken.

And this is the mystery. Scotch whisky, as we know it, is not one but many whiskies blended.

You begin with a hundred malt distilleries. There, the spirit is distilled from fermented barley and nothing else except yeast. The pr-oduct you sample as proof spirit has a deep, rich, rather overpowering taste.

So there are six grain distilleries as well, where a lighter spirit is brewed. Now comes in the skilful blender. He draws on stocks—he holds in the mill and grain distilleries.

From 15 to 20 of them: A vat of Linkwood 20 years old, kept in sherry-impregnated wood; a vat of Glen Grant, kept in plain oak; the right amount of the Glenlivet; and so on.

Mix well together, vat for another year or two, and there you have your favourite odd spot.

Exact contents compulsorily put on labels to America would disclose the secret to competitors in Scotland, but it would not help the Americans.

It is all to do with the water, you ken—the soft water that flows in the glens of Speyside and dries chemical analysis.



"Gentlemen, break it up, please! You're disillusioning the customers!"

A LAYMAN WROTE OUR BEST-KNOWN CHRISTMAS HYMN

By Dom John Stephan, O.S.B.,
Monk Of Buckfast

THE hymn "Adeste Fideles" ("O Come All Ye Faithful") has been sung and enjoyed for at least 200 years and is easily the best-known Christmas hymn in the world. But identification of its author has puzzled most writers up to the present.

The files "Notes and Queries," to mention but one review dealing with such questions, bear witness to the fact that this problem has exercised many minds without yielding any positive result. There was always a "missing link" to provide a satisfactory answer to the question.

Now it appears that this link has at last been discovered. Its cogency may be examined in the booklet I have ventured to bring before the public ("The Adeste Fideles" A Study in its Origin and Development, by Dom John Stephan O.S.B. "Publications" for 1948, Abbey, Devon, 2s. 6d.).

If any weakness be found in the arguments set forth, no one will be better pleased than the writer himself. In order to be absolutely conclusive, the proof ought to bear the signature of the author, and this unfortunately is not forthcoming. But, failing that, it seemed worth while bringing to the notice of the public what is at least a strong circumstantial evidence of identification.

The story is briefly as follows. Among the books which appeared in the successive sales of the Harmsworth Library in 1946, there was a small manuscript, unsigned and undated, which was purchased by the Rev. Maurice Frost, Vicar of Deddington, Oxford, who submitted it to the present writer's examination.

FERVENT EXILE

From this it was obvious that Wade was a fervent layman who had exiled himself to the Continent—that is Douay College—and earned an honourable living there as copyist and teacher of music, as well as Latin, when there was no scope for such activities in his native country, ruled by the Hanoverian dynasty.

Most of the pieces transcribed by Wade in those manuscript books of his can easily be traced to their sources. But not all, and among these mysterious compositions there was the "Adeste Fideles," which, however, appears in all his writings.

"Where did he get it from?" asked the late James Britten in his articles on our hymn.

It never occurred to Britten that Wade might have composed it himself! The idea would have seemed preposterous.

An yet—this is the very point I am making out in the study just published, and which some of our most competent authorities are prepared to accept as the correct solution of this old riddle.

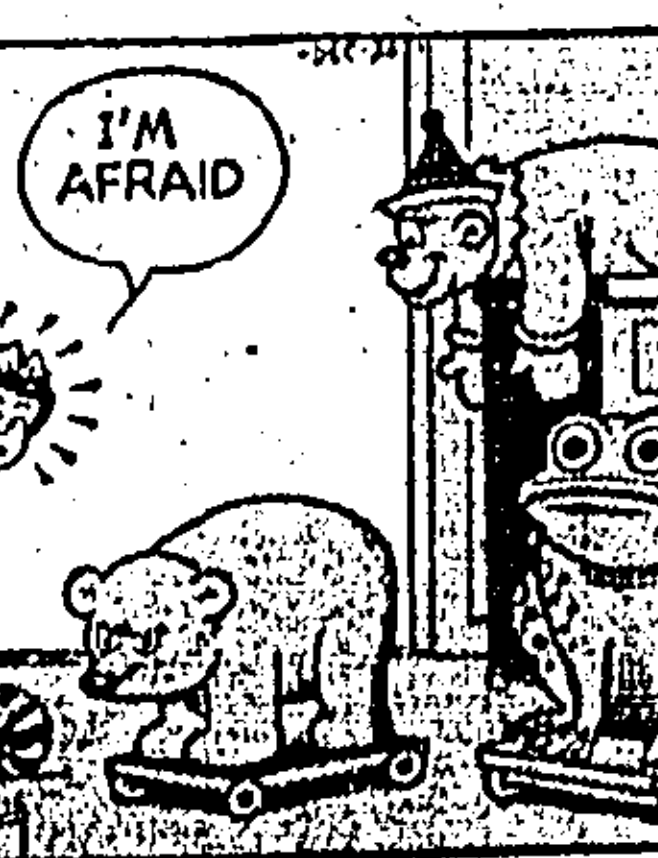
In a short article like this one cannot bring forward the proofs for such a startling suggestion. Let the reader examine them and judge for himself.

It seems high time to do justice to a modest fervent Catholic layman of Douay College's time, who suffered a voluntary exile for the Faith and therein found the inspiration for writing the words and the music of one of the very finest hymns ever composed.

The name of John Francis Wade deserves a place in our hymn books, as well as in every musical dictionary or encyclopedia.

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Foreign Office Denies Implication In Burma Rising

London, Dec. 22.—The Foreign Office today denied reports published in the Communist Daily Worker that the British Government was implicated in efforts to instigate a rebellion against the Burmese Government.

The denial concerned reports that a British lieutenant-colonel, in the capacity of a secret service agent, was arranging for a supply of arms and ammunition to the Karen hill tribesmen who had expressed willingness to oppose Thakin Nu's Government.

The Foreign Office said the persons named in the reports were not connected with the Foreign Office, and recalled statements in the House of Commons that the Government "disapproved of such actions by British subjects."

"The reports, headlined 'Britons in Burma Rising Plot,' published allegedly official statements issued by the Burmese Embassy in London, dealing with the activities of Alexander Campbell, former correspondent of the Conservative Daily Mail, who was recently expelled from Burma, and Lt-Colonel Community Tulloch, who is believed to be an M-5 agent."

The Daily Worker also said: "Other persons known to be involved are a former Conservative Cabinet Minister, a newspaper proprietor and a high Foreign Office official. From evidence in our possession, it appears that in the summer of this year when the political situation in Burma was extremely unsettled, a small group of influential and highly-placed persons in London reached the conclusion that events were favourable for the overthrow of the Thakin Nu Government by the Karen tribes, which they believed could be instigated to rise against the Burmese authorities."

NEWSPAPERS CITED

The Daily Worker cited the Daily Mail and Sunday Dispatch as "carrying on active propaganda on behalf of the Karens and strongly denouncing the Anglo-Burmese treaty."

It also claimed that the former Governor-General of Burma, Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, was "another active supporter of the Karens."

On an inside page, the Daily Worker published sworn copies of a letter from Campbell in Moulmein to Tulloch in Calcutta, referring to "our friends in the hills" bemoaning the paucity of supplies of arms and ammunition expected from Tulloch.

The Daily Worker reprinted sworn copies of intercepted letters from Campbell, which mentioned cables received from the Daily Mail's foreign editor referring in code to Tulloch.

One letter to Tulloch from Campbell, according to the Daily Worker, said in part: "Now we come to your immediate interests. Oliver (the article) said this referred to a Karen agent gave your note to the appropriate department, who has today the draft Statute for the International Authority for the Ruhr, which has been approved by the Conference—Reuter."

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Attempted To 'Wake Up' UN

Mineola, (New York) Dec. 22.—The man who exploded a home-made bomb above the United Nations headquarters at Lake Success last July—Stephen J. Sulina—appeared in court at Mineola today and was released from gaol.

Sulina, who was sentenced to the time he had already spent in prison—118 days—had pleaded guilty to a misdemeanour charge on December 6.

He told the court that he dropped his bomb from a hired plane to "wake up" the United Nations to the need for world peace.

He thought his action reflected the feelings of millions of people.—Reuter.

NO STATEMENT YET ON RUHR CONFERENCE

London, Dec. 22.—The six-power London Conference on the Ruhr decided today—at its expected last but one meeting before Christmas—not to issue a communiqué on their work until after the holidays, probably next Tuesday, it was authoritatively reported.

The final text of the agreement on the powers and functions of an International Authority to control the distribution of Ruhr coal and steel was not yet complete.

Certain phrases have to be re-examined in the light of legal advisers' comments, it was learned.

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ALL ARE SAVED

Lisbon, Dec. 22.—It is learned that everyone aboard the Finnish ship, Heima, which caught fire about 40 miles west of Vigo, Spain, has now been saved.

The Norwegian tanker, Doverfjell, has arrived in Lisbon with the survivors, which included 13 of the crew and four passengers—two women and two children. Eight are Italians. The others, including the women and children, are Finnish. None was hurt in the fire.—Reuter.

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"Now that all my Christmas shopping is done, I thought I'd save time and write some thank-you notes for the presents we know we'll get!"



Louis B. Mayer, 63-year-old film magnate, and Mrs. Lorena Dancer shown recently at Ciro's, a Hollywood night club, one of the numerous occasions on which he squandered the widow of radio producer Danny Danker. The couple married in Yuma, Arizona. Mayer was divorced by his first wife, Margaret, after 42 years of marriage.—AP Picture.

Ethiopia May Try Badoglio, Graziani As War Criminals

London, Dec. 22.—Ethiopia has demanded the surrender by Italy of Marshal Pietro Badoglio, former Italian Prime Minister, and Marshal Rodolfo Graziani, former Italian Governor-General of Ethiopia, for trial as war criminals, the Ethiopian Legation in London announced today.

The demand was made in identical notes addressed to the British, French, United States and Russian Governments, requesting them under the terms of the Italian peace treaty to instruct their Ambassadors in Rome to represent Ethiopia in discussions with the Italian Government.

JAPANESE EXECUTED

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Executions began, two military policemen, armed with sub-machine-guns, took up positions at the prison gates.

Two large canvas-covered Army lorries, escorted by jeeps loaded with military police, left Sugamo Prison after 2 a.m. local time, presumably carrying the bodies of the executed men.

Pressmen arrested. Scores of Japanese photographers rushed to take pictures as the lorries drove out. Two Japanese newspapermen who approached the gates as the lorries were leaving were arrested by the military police.

Tojo was 64 this month. The lorries carrying the bodies of Tojo and the others reached Yokohama about an hour after leaving Sugamo. Japanese newspapers reported they were proceeding by a circuitous route to a crematorium.

A doctor examined each man and then summoned the senior medical officer who, after a further examination, confirmed that each was dead.

The American Army Grazies detachment took the bodies from the gallows. After cremation, the ashes will be scattered.

The condemned men saw their families for the first time on December 1. From then on, they were allowed to visit each other during two periods of the day.

Strict precautions were taken by the American Army to prevent a "forward" suicide incident. Tojo and the six other condemned men were watched at all times by a team of eight guards.

Constantly guarded. One guard constantly kept watch on two of the prisoners and one walked between the barred doors of the cells. They interchanged at 15 minutes' intervals.

Medical men on duty checked each prisoner's expiration every 15 minutes. A guard officer and a corporal of the guard also made a personal check on each prisoner every 15 minutes.

Seven adjoining cells in the block were used. No other prisoners were kept in the block. Most of the guards were specially selected and had guarded Tojo and the others for nearly two years.

The news of the hangings came while most of Tokyo was asleep. The Japanese press said the Emperor was notified—but his reaction was not reported.

Official occupation clichés did not expect his abdication to follow. High officials told Reuter that General MacArthur has personally directed the Emperor not to abdicate.—Reuter.

DENTURES DENTED

Hastings, Dec. 22.—A set of false teeth, passing through the Hastings Post Office in an envelope, caused the high speed cancelling machine to stop today.

An official said: "Now somebody is going to have trouble in trying to eat their Christmas dinner without teeth."—Reuter.

The note named ten Italians stated to have been listed by the United Nations War Crimes Tribunal in May, 1948, as guilty of war crimes and crimes against humanity during the war against and occupation of Ethiopia.

It stated that Ethiopia had decided to bring only two of these men to trial, Marshal Badoglio and Marshal Graziani, as the persons most responsible for the policy of systematic terrorism during the occupations.

Ethiopia invoked Article IV of the Italian peace treaty, which requires Italy to take all necessary steps to surrender for trial persons accused of war crimes.

The note stated that the two men would be tried before an International Tribunal constituted by the Ethiopian Government, with a majority of non-Ethiopian judges. The legal principles and procedure would be the same as those adopted by the International Military Tribunal at Nuremberg.

A Foreign Office spokesman said tonight that Ethiopia's demands were still being considered and that no reply had so far been sent to her note.—Reuter.

Dutch Action Condemned

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strong for other Council members, some of whom are reluctant even to go along with the American resolution.

AWAITS INSTRUCTIONS

The British attitude on the American resolution had not been clear tonight. The British delegation was awaiting instructions from Whitehall. Even without British support, the American resolution is expected to gain—barely—the necessary votes. Colombia, Argentina, Canada and the Ukraine probably would vote for it, American sources believed. France, Belgium and China probably would abstain.

A French spokesman said France never would vote for a troop withdrawal order. Syria tomorrow will present an amendment to the American resolution, calling for the release of Indonesian officers captured during the Dutch paratrooper attack on Jember.

The Syrian delegate, Fawzi el Khouri, said he expected no opposition to his amendment. He also predicted that the resolution as a whole would pass.

The debate is expected to last through tomorrow and perhaps go over into Christmas Eve. Eventually, the desire of some delegates to celebrate Christmas might bring a vote.

The American delegate, Dr. Philip Jessup, who got out of his sick bed to bring the case to the Security Council, and Belgium's Ferdinand van Langenhove, Council President, both sat through today's session huddled in their overcoats.—United Press.

Penrith, Dec. 22.—The first snow of winter has fallen in Cumberland. There is now snow one inch deep for five miles over Harrogate Fell between Penrith and Alston.—Reuter.

Kwangtung Goes Ahead With Plans

Canton, Dec. 22.—China's civil war and economic and financial crises have affected but not stopped Kwangtung from forging ahead slowly with its reconstruction plans.

Much has already been accomplished in making up the leeway of industrial and agricultural progress caused by the war and several ambitious schemes are now in hand or are being planned.

One of the schemes which has already made substantial progress is the development of Whampoa into a harbour rivaling that of Hongkong. Whampoa is already serving coastal steamers which are almost daily coming in with hundreds of refugees from North and Central China. Many of the installations have been completed and it is now planned to connect this port of Canton area with the Canton-Kowloon Railway by rail.

One big project planned is the construction in Northern Kwangtung of a hydro-electric power plant, the initial stage of which will cost nearly US\$10,000,000. When completed the plant will contribute considerably to industrial expansion throughout the Province, as well as opening the way to the Province's rich mineral resources, which are as yet untouched or not fully tapped.

The site chosen by the Chinese Resources Commission for this undertaking is in the Wong Kiang area (Yung River) in Northern Kwangtung and in conjunction with it there is also a plan to build a series of dykes to control summer flood waters which inundate southern areas almost yearly.

Building of this power plant will probably depend upon the course of the civil war. At the moment construction is scheduled to begin early next year.

Agriculture has figured prominently in Kwangtung's reconstruction plans. The object is to get very much more out of the land not by wholesale, injudicious cultivation but by gradually educating tradition-lured farmers to modern methods, which would combine greater productivity with continued preservation of the soil.

In this connection there was talk recently of the establishment of a model modern-method experimental farm for the benefit of farming throughout the Province. Continual measures are being drafted and implemented for the further production and improvement of agriculture in Kwangtung.

Fishermen are also being extensively helped with modern equipment which have been made available under American aid.

Canton is itself evidence of some of the reconstruction progress achieved. Big sections of war-torn neglected, hole-pitted roads have been repaired, while the sewage system in several districts has been re-ventilated. These are small things in themselves but they are nevertheless notable as part of overall progress which the financial ills of the past have not stifled.—Reuter.

Radio Hongkong

Programme Summary: 5.01, Variety Hour. From the People's Palace London (BBC). 5.30, La De-Laire (Radio). 6.00, World and Home News (London Relay). 7.15, A Fred Hartley Interlude. 7.30, Downbeat (Studio). 8.00, "From the Editor's Desk" (Studio). 8.15, Light Opera Programme. By Professor F. G. 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FREDDIE MILLS IS SITTING PRETTY

London, Dec. 22.—Freddie Mills, world, British, European and British Empire light-heavy weight champion, who learned to fight in the tough school of the boxing booth, is "sitting pretty" in the top ranks of professional pugilism.

With these titles in his keeping, Mills can decline anything less than a five figure purse and be equally selective about his opponents.

Thus, Mills has decided that he will not fight until he meets Bruce Woodcock for the British, European and British Empire heavyweight titles in the open air in London on June 2.

This contract will bring Mills the larger part of £22,000. It may bring him three championships to add to the four he already holds; and defeat would have no serious effect on his prestige and status in the light-heavyweight division.

Mills thus has much to gain and not a great deal to lose.

MISFORTUNE

Woodcock, on the other hand, will have everything at stake. The loss of his titles to Mills would be the biggest blow of a career which has been marked by misfortune.

The fight is too far away from any dogmatic assessment of the men's comparative prospects, but there will soon be a line on their form.

Woodcock fights Johnny Ralph, South African Champion, in Johannesburg next month. This bout carried the question: Can Bruce Woodcock win as convincingly as Mills, who knocked out Ralph in the eighth round on November 2—Reuter.

TITLE CONTENDERS

NBA Rankings

New York, Dec. 22.—The National Boxing Association named Joe Walcott as the logical contender for Joe Louis' world heavy-weight title in their final rankings issued today.

Walcott is listed with Ezzard Charles as an outstanding contender in the heavyweight division.

Three new champions were crowned during the year, and Mr. Fred J. Saddy, the chairman of the Rankings Committee, said he expected there would be three additional champions in 1949.

"The welterweight champion, Ray Robinson, and Manuel Ortiz, the bantamweight champion, were having trouble in making their weight limits and the Louis, of course, was expected to retire," he said.

The rankings were:

Heavyweight.—Champion, Joe Louis (US); contenders, awaiting further competition, Ezzard Charles, Joe Walcott and Ezzard Charles, both of the United States.

Light-heavyweight.—Champion, Freddie Mills (Britain); logical contender, Gus Lesnevich (US).

Middleweight.—Champion, Marcel Cerdan (France); logical contenders, Tony Zale, Bert Lytell and Jake Lamotta (all US).

Welterweight.—Champion, Ray Robinson (US); logical contenders, Bernard Docusen (US), Kid Galivan (Cuba), Frankie Fernandez (Hawaii).

Lightweight.—Champion, Ike Williams (US); logical contender, Enrique Polanco (US).

Featherweight.—Champion, Sandy Saddler (US); logical contender, Willie Pep (US).

Bantamweight.—Champion, Manuel Ortiz, logical contenders, Guido Ferrel (Italy), Luis Galvan (Cuba), Cecil Schoonmaker (US).

Flyweight.—Champion, Mitty Moran (Northern Ireland); logical contenders, Dado Marino (Hawaii)—Reuter.

MARATHON SNOOKER

Dickie Flicker Lasts It Out

London, Dec. 22.—Dickie Flicker, 40-year-old London watchmaker, had to receive attention from three first aid men during his marathon snooker session at Leicester Square Hall here, which ended last night in his setting up a new world snooker endurance record.

Flicker broke the previous record of 44 hours and 50 minutes set up by Norman Thomas in April last and continued playing to set the new figure at 45 hours and 27 minutes.

Attended by first aid men when he felt the strain of the effort, Flicker's first thought on passing Thomas' record was for their assistance.

"They are the boys to thank," were his first words on reaching his objective.—Reuter.

Area Title

London, Dec. 22.—The Eastern Area Council at their last meeting decided that promoters, boxers and their managers be given a further period up to and including January 5 to arrange for the South-Eastern Area lightweight eliminating contest between Tommy Barnham, of Fulham, and George Day, of Hockley, to take place and forward signed contracts.

The contest is to take place on or before February 28. The winner is to meet Tommy McGovern for the title.—Reuter.

LOUIS NEEDS THE MONEY

New York, Dec. 22.—Joe Louis' current exhibition tour, in which he is boxing anyone who wants to get into the ring with him, is perhaps the best answer to the question of Louis' financial situation.

Obviously, the heavy-weight champion needs money. And if he needs money, he probably will defend his title again instead of retiring, although some of his friends still deny it.

These friends insist Louis merely is staying active as a favour to Mike Jacobs and the 20th Century Sport-Club, now engaged in a bitter promotional war with the Tournament of Champions, Inc. Louis, as champion, is a real asset to Jacobs; as ex-champion, Louis would have little value in the struggle for top-notch attractions.

TRYING HARD

During recent months, as Louis was undecided on retirement there were emphatic reports that he is broke, and other emphatic statements that he has plenty of money. But the exhibition tour, listing Johnny Shkor, Bernie Reynolds, Jimmy Divins, Billy Conn and Arturo Godoy among his opponents, indicates that Louis is scrambling for money.

Louis, in selecting these men as opponents, instead of the usual spar-partner type, is making sure of good crowds—and large receipts.

LITTLE RISK

He is taking little risk in the ring. The men use 12-ounce or 14-ounce gloves, and generally go two minutes per round instead of three. Shkor, Divins, Conn and Godoy all talked loudly before the exhibitions, promising to try for a knockout so they would have a claim at least on a title fight, but Shkor and Divins, who met Louis early in the tour, didn't use their fists as actively as their words. Conn and Godoy did no better.

IMPORTANT THING

Louis announces his weight at 229 pounds for each exhibition but 235 would be closer to the truth.

Usually he is content to play with his opponent, lasting out only in bursts lasting a few seconds, but that has satisfied the crowds.

Harry Mendel, in charge of arrangements, estimates the tour will bring Louis \$100,000, which is the important thing to Louis.—United Press.

MCC TOUR

Match Starts At Ladysmith

Ladysmith, Dec. 22.—The MCC touring cricketers today began a two-day match against Natal Country Districts side and when stumps were drawn the MCC had scored 161 for 7 wickets after dismissing the home side for 131.

Only a last wicket stand prevented the Natal team from being dismissed for less than a hundred.

Jenkins took four of the first five wickets, while Griffith, behind the stumps, helped in the dismissal of three men with catches.

Gladwin then came into the picture and sent back three men for 14 runs, but Getete (23 not out) and Henderson (26) put on 49 runs before Young took a return catch from Henderson to finish the innings.

The touring players had their troubles and though Simpson and Palmer engaged in a stand of 54 for the second wicket, six men were out for 100 and it seemed that Natal might gain a lead.

Tremlett (33 not out) and Gladwin (12) stopped that prospect by taking the score past Natal's before Gladwin was out, and then Bedser helped Tremlett in an unfinished stand of 20 for the eighth wicket before stumps were drawn.—Reuter.

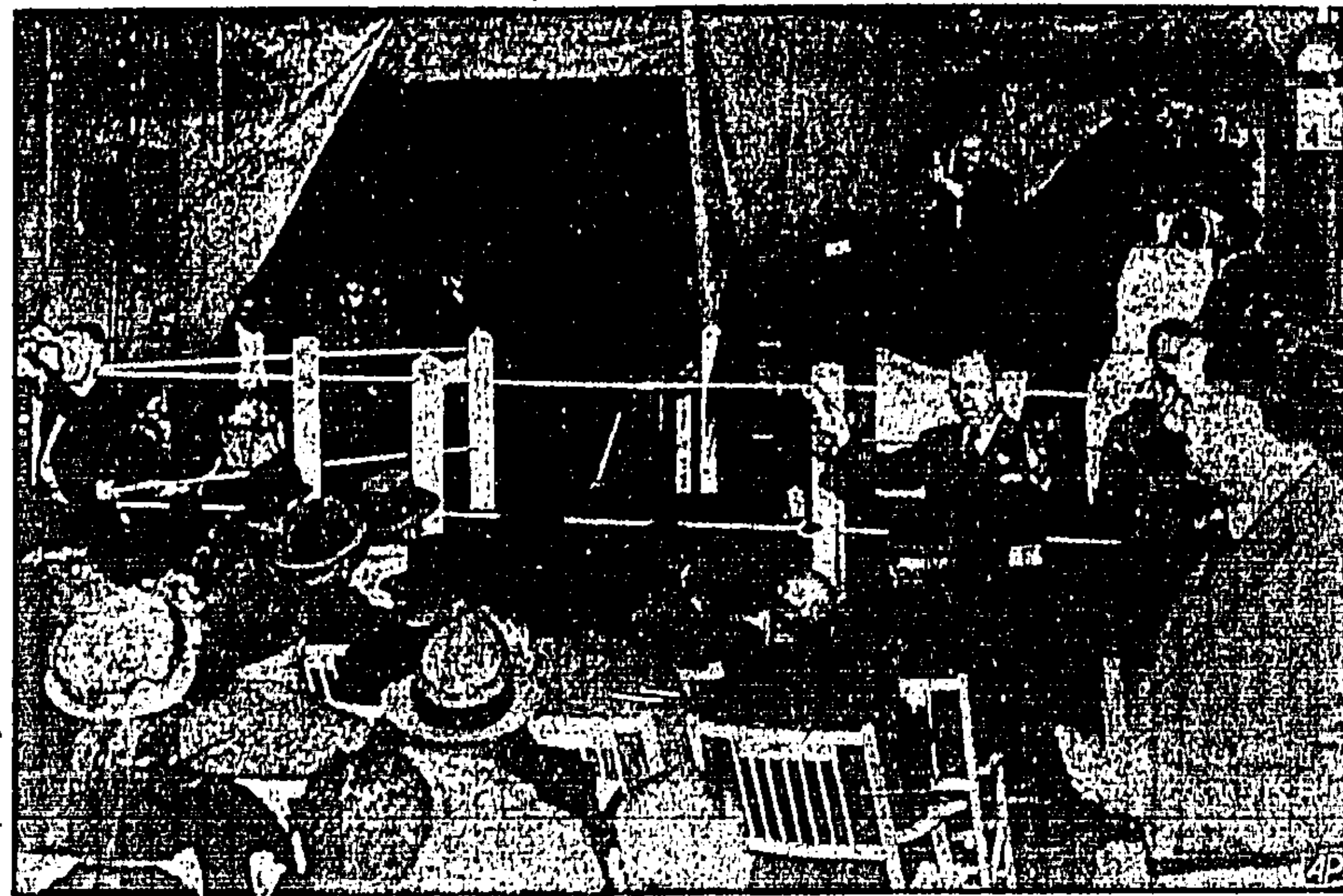
Death Of Oldtime Cricketer

The death occurred on December 10 of Sir Timothy Carew O'Brien, former England and Middlesex cricketer.

Sir Timothy, who was 87, twice played for England against Australia and toured the Commonwealth in 1887 with G.F. Vernon's team.

He also went to South Africa with Lord Hawke in the winter of 1895. A splendid batsman he played for Middlesex from 1884 to 1898.—Reuter.

FETCHES \$60,000



NEW TACTICS FOR

Conquering Height In Basketball

By CORNELIUS RYAN

New York, Dec. 22.—Basketball experts in nations which have been unable to conquer USA height in Olympic Games will be watching coach Hank Iba's Oklahoma A & M college team closely this year.

Iba believed he has found a style of offence which will neutralise the height advantage his opponents will have.

And Iba should be an expert on the workings of a tall team, for in 1945 and 1946 the Aggies won national championships on the play of seven-foot Bob Kurland at centre.

"The new offence will break up the starchy defence set up by the big boys under the basket," explained Iba, whose 1948-1949 team has no tall men.

"Our system will give the offensive team twice the number of shots on the rebound, and it will be the little men who will work it."

HOW TO DO IT

Basketball has in the past been comparatively little known in this country, but the spectacular speed and skill displayed by visiting teams, including those from China, Korea and the Philippines during the Olympic Games, have helped to bring it before the notice of the sporting public.

As long ago as 1892 a primitive form of game was known here, but it was not until the later stages of the first world war that it really began to secure a hold and then only in London.

Even by 1939 there were only 5,000 players in the country. The second world war put a stop to the building of basketball courts, but it spread knowledge of the game much more widely, especially through the medium of the armed forces.

It was first adopted as ideal training for air crews as part of co-ordination between hand and eye. Since the end of the war, basketball has been widely used as one of the exercises for men undergoing treatment at centres for rehabilitation or war wounded.

It has also been adopted by the Ministry of Health as part of standard treatment for miners and industry workers at the centre maintained for convalescence and sickness or injury.

Site For 1956 Olympics

The International Olympic Committee will meet at Rome early in May next year to pick the host city for the 1956 Olympic games.

The date of the meeting will be selected later.

Members of the IOC will be able to vote by mail if they cannot attend, the Olympic Bulletin reported.

Mail ballots were not allowed in 1947 when Helsinki was selected for the summer games of 1952 and Oslo the winter games.

The 1956 meeting of the IOC will be held in Copenhagen at the end of May and early June.

The bulletin also announced two new members had been elected to the IOC at the London congress in addition to those previously reported.

Eric von Frenckell of Finland replaced Otto Krogslund, his countryman, who resigned.

General Miguel V. Fuentes was made a member from Guatemala.—Reuter.

Rugby League Test

London, Dec. 22.—The postponed third Rugby League Test between Great Britain and Australia may be played in London. The suggested venues are Wembley and White City and will take place on January 28.

A special Rugby League tour sub-committee will decide after the authorities of Wembley and White City have been approached on the subject.

Meanwhile, the Rugby League officials hold £2,400 paid in advance for tickets for the postponed match.—Reuter.

BRITONS TAKE MORE INTEREST

London, Dec. 22.—A record increase in basketball clubs in Britain is expected in the coming year.

The Secretary of the Amateur Basketball Association of England and Wales reports that the game is growing rapidly, especially in Wales where many miners' clubs are taking it up.

Basketball has in the past been comparatively little known in this country, but the spectacular speed and skill displayed by visiting teams, including those from China, Korea and the Philippines during the Olympic Games, have helped to bring it before the notice of the sporting public.

As long ago as 1892 a primitive form of game was known here, but it was not until the later stages of the first world war that it really began to secure a hold and then only in London.

Even by 1939 there were only 5,000 players in the country. The second world war put a stop to the building of basketball courts, but it spread knowledge of the game much more widely, especially through the medium of the armed forces.

It was first adopted as ideal training for air crews as part of co-ordination between hand and eye. Since the end of the war, basketball has been widely used as one of the exercises for men undergoing treatment at centres for rehabilitation or war wounded.

It has also been adopted by the Ministry of Health as part of standard treatment for miners and industry workers at the centre maintained for convalescence and sickness or injury.

Site For 1956 Olympics

The International Olympic Committee will meet at Rome early in May next year to pick the host city for the 1956 Olympic games.

The date of the meeting will be selected later.

Members of the IOC will be able to vote by mail if they cannot attend, the Olympic Bulletin reported.

Mail ballots were not allowed in 1947 when Helsinki was selected for the summer games of 1952 and Oslo the winter games.

The 1956 meeting of the IOC will be held in Copenhagen at the end of May and early June.

The bulletin also announced two new members had been elected to the IOC at the London congress in addition to those previously reported.

Eric von Frenckell of Finland replaced Otto Krogslund, his countryman, who resigned.

General Miguel V. Fuentes was made a member from Guatemala.—Reuter.

Ice Skating

Milan, Dec. 22.—The European ice skating championships will take place in the Palazzo di Ghiaccio on January 28, 29 and 30.

The competitions will consist of compulsory and free skating for both men and women and pairs skating.

Entries close on January 15 and amateur skaters of all European countries whose Federations or Associations are members of the International Skating Union are eligible.—Reuter.

PRIZEFIGHTER EXPLAINS

How It Feels To Be Floored By A Woman

By CLAIRE FOX

New York—Pacify O'Gatty, a pugilist who packs a wallop, never has been so humiliated. A 72-year-old woman gave him a stiff uppercut that landed him right on the seat of his pants.

O'Gatty fought to a draw for the world's bantamweight title in 1921 and once met heavyweight Jack Dempsey in an exhibition match.

But he never felt anything in life like the sock in the jaw administered by Mrs. Betty Henderson, a society playgirl who appeared on the stage in the days when boxers wore tight.

"So a woman knocked me down," O'Gatty said. "I can't imagine it. It really floored me. Well, that sock came from a big baby."

TEACHING WOMEN

O'Gatty, 48, is Henderson's boxing instructor. Now that he has retired, he earns his living by teaching wo-

men how to keep the gents in line with a fine well-placed right and left.

For several hours three times a week, O'Gatty and Mrs. Henderson spar a few rounds in her swank Park Avenue apartment.

She wears 10 ounce boxing gloves, shorts, and a halter. When she gets tired of bending him into a pulp she calms her down with a massage.

A MEAN WALLOP

"Ma is a real good sport," he said. "I'm careful not to hit her very hard, but she packs a mean wallop."

O'Gatty, whose real name is Pasquale Agati, said he's trained a total of 200 women, including Arline Judge, the actress, who has sparred legally and otherwise with a handful of husbands, and Hope Hampton, a former opera singer who once knocked him for a loop by landing her left glove with brass knuckles.

But "Ma" Henderson is his favourite pupil. In four years she's done so well, he said, that he'd put her in the ring against any man.

He limits his blows to light taps on the head and spends the rest of his time dodging her determined jabs.

"All the women tell me at first they want to learn to box for the exercise," O'Gatty said, "but eventually it all comes out. They really want to learn how to put us men in our place."—United Press.

Training Times

Seventy-three ponies were out for training gallops at the Valley yesterday.

Of these the following were clocked in the mile: Popularity, 40.3, 1:17.2, 1:49.1, 2:19, 2:49.4, last quarter, 30.4; Rowancliff, 37.5, 1:14, 2:10.2, 2:40.3, last quarter, 30.2; V.I.P., 37.5, 1:09.5, 1:41.2, 2:10.5, 2:39.4, last quarter, 29.1; Speed Wheel, 38.2, 1:15, 1:45.5, 2:15.7, last quarter, 30.2; Lucky Starter, 38.2, 1:15, 1:45.5, 2:15.7, last quarter, 28.4.

Other times taken were:

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	L. Q.
Narem	41.1	1:10	1:54.4	2:22	31.2
Kilnaker	39.2	1:11.1	1:47	2:22	30.5
Skymaster	31.3	1:01	1:30	2:01	29.1
Poker Face	29.3	59	1:20.1	1:50	29.1
Teutler	32.3	1:02.3	1:30.3	2:00.3	29.1
Mercury	42.1	1:17.1	1:46.2	2:09.4	31.2
Jorrocks	48	1:21	1:50	2:30	31
Strathlyn	46	1:21	1:50	2:30	31

Madame

Butterfly 30.2 1:01 1:32 2:01 29.1

Glacial Lake 40 1:12 1:44 2:17 31.1

Shun Lee 30.4 1:02 1:34 2:02 29.1

Mimi 43.1 1:23 1:52 2:27 34.3

Amber 39.2 1:18 1:55 2:28 33.4

Ben Wyvis 35.1 1:07 1:36 2:09 29.1

Mania 34.2 1:07 1:36 2:09 29.1

Highlight 30.1 1:07 1:36 2:09 29.1

Coogee 42 1:21 1:50 2:23 31.1

Shamrock 42 1:21 1:50 2:23 31.1

Sportmaster 31.3 1:00 1:37 2:08 29.4

Sharpshooter 32.3 1:06 1:36 2:08 29.1

Amerant 32.3 1:06 1:36 2:08 29.1

Dolphin 40.2 1:10 1:51 2:20 30.3

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Blacksmith 42 1:20 2:01 2:35 34

Stirling Castle 39 1:14 1:40 2:10 30.1

Seaford 34 1:05 1:35 2:05 29.1

Harmony 32.2 1:04 1:35 2:05 29.1

Razzle Dazzle 32.2 1:04 1:35 2:05 29.1

Shimmer 30.1 1:02 1:34 2:03 29.1

Foyle 30.1 1:02 1:34 2:03 29.1

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My Love 34 1:06 1:36 2:08 29.1

Sparkling Eyes 34 1:06 1:36 2:08 29.1

Airs and Graces 34 1:06 1:36 2:08 29.1

The Hopeful 34 1:06 1:36 2:08 29.1

Public Opinion 34 1:06 1:36 2:08 29.1

Phantom 37.3 1:13 1:42 2:12 31.2

High Speed 40.3 1:17 1:53 2:31 30

World Peace 33.3 1:07 1:39 2:10 29.1

Probability 37.2 1:12 1:42 2:12 31.2

Egyptian Field 35.2 1:06 1:44 2:14 29.4

Pay Day 34.4 1:02 1:35 2:05 29.1

Sparkling Eyes 34 1:06 1:36 2:08 29.1

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Bright View 40 1:14 1:48 2:18 30

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ECA RECOVERY AID TO NEI CUT OFF

Until Conflict With Indonesia Settled

Washington, Dec. 22.—The recovery chief, Mr. Paul Hoffman, today cut off all recovery aid to the Netherlands East Indies until the Dutch conflict with the Republic of Indonesia was settled.

The Economic Co-operation Administration, of which Mr. Hoffman is the head, said the action does not affect the ECA programme for the Netherlands itself. However, the money which has been already earmarked or authorised for the Netherlands East Indies but not yet used will not be committed for the present.

Mr. Hoffman's action has the approval of the State Department, which is seriously concerned with the Dutch "police action" in the Indonesian Republic to "restore order." Already about \$61,000,000 has been authorised in grants by the ECA for use by the Dutch in the Netherlands East Indies. There was no immediate estimate of how much of this had already been spent. Most of the funds were for textiles, rice and wheat flour, sorely needed by the natives.

The Republic of Indonesia did not receive any Marshall Plan aid. All the \$61,000,000 has been authorised for the Netherlands East Indies.

ECA figures today indicated that the suspension of aid of the Netherlands East Indies announced by Mr. Hoffman may cost the Indies about \$14,000,000 in aid not yet authorised or contracted. However, the NEI probably will receive \$54,000,000 recovery aid for which contracts have been signed even though some goods included have not yet been delivered.

An ECA official cautioned that these estimates were the "maximum."

RESHUFFLING THE CABINET

Christmas Job For Mr. Attlee

London, Dec. 22.—The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, will finally decide on his contemplated Government reshuffle while spending Christmas at Chequers, his official country residence near London.

The changes may be announced before the New Year.

London political quarters estimated tonight that the reshuffle might possibly involve 10 junior and senior members of the total Government of about 80. Few new high Ministerial appointments are expected but there may be several transfers.

Official sources are silent on the move. The most persistent Parliamentary prediction is that the Defence Minister, Mr. A. V. Alexander, may be replaced possibly to receive another portfolio.

NEW PARLIAMENTARY SEC.

Mr. Alexander, who has borne the brunt of Parliamentary criticism of the Government's defence policy, is the leading political representative of Britain's huge Consumers Co-operative Movement.

The only appointment actually forced upon the Prime Minister is that of a new Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade to replace Mr. John Boucher, the key figure in the London Tribunal proceedings, who has resigned.

The appointment of even one new Minister automatically involves the reshuffling of other portfolios. This is expected to be Mr. Attlee's last reconstruction before the general election due in 1950.

He is therefore unlikely to make "experiments." The prestige of the Government, when he appears to the nation, will depend upon the steadiness of his Administration during the next 12 months.—Reuter.

Going Back To Germany



Pretty Elizabeth Sauer, 19, holds pictures of two Pittsburgh brothers—one of whom she went to America to marry and the other who became her fiancé. In her right hand is picture of Ralph Gaber, in the left that of Karl—her present fiancé. Unable to secure parental consent she'll return to Germany.—AP Picture.

British Housewives Underfed And Worried

London, Dec. 22.—The tired British housewife is underfed and spends her nights dreaming of shopping queues and cooking.

Those are the findings of Dr Stella Instone of the new Sussex Hospital at Brighton, reported in "The Lancet," authoritative British Medical Magazine.

Dr Instone studied 61 "typical British housewives" before reaching her conclusions. Fifty-five of them, she said, complained of permanent tiredness.

Jap War Criminals

Request For Rehearing

Washington, Dec. 22.—The U.S. Supreme Court was asked on Wednesday to reconsider its decision that it has no power over the International Military Tribunal that convicted 25 Japanese leaders of war crimes. Mr. John G. Brennan, one of the attorneys who argued before the American High Court last week on behalf of the Japanese, filed the request for a rehearing. His petition was filed on behalf of Kenji Doihara, who was hanged in Tokyo at about the same time the ruling was made, Koichi Kido, Takasumi Oka, Kenryo Sato and Shigetaro Shimamura, who got life sentences, and Shigenori Togo, who got 20 years imprisonment.

The Court decided on Monday a 6-1 vote that neither it nor any other US court has authority to review actions of the 11-nation Tribunal that sat in Tokyo.

ATTORNEY'S ARGUMENT

Mr. Brennan's petition said the Supreme Court had failed to consider "the all important and vital issue involved" in the case. "The vital question brought before this Court for determination," he contended, "is whether the executive of the United States and the military authorities thereunder have exceeded their lawful authority or acted in contravention of the expressed terms of the constitution of the United States."

Attorney for the Japanese had argued that the International Tribunal actually was a "purely national and illegal creation" of the United States.

KEENAN'S "HOPES"

Mr. Joseph B. Keenan, prosecutor of the Tokyo war crimes trials, expressed hope on Wednesday that the executions of seven Japanese warlords is "the beginning" of an effort to outlaw wars of aggression.

This effort, he said, should be based upon a four-point international agreement: 1. "Defining as clearly as possible aggressive war." 2. "Specifically outlawing" aggressive war. 3. "Providing for personal criminal responsibility for those guilty and planning and initiating such a war." 4. "Setting up the proper and permanent judicial machinery for adjudication and punishment of those responsible" for aggressive war.

Mr. Keenan added "The hope is that in the future such action may be taken before the real catastrophe occurs or has occurred. We should close the bar door on these horses before they are let loose on a world course of death and destruction." Associated Press.

The outstanding impression made by these housewives was their lack of fatigue," Dr Instone reported. "This was reflected not only in the face and manner, but often also in slow laboured movements and lack of muscle tone. Many of them had a look of defeat. Others looked harassed and ill at ease, and admitted that they were thinking of work waiting to be done at home."

She said it was a frequent practice for women to deny themselves their own full share of meagre food rations so there would be more for the rest of the family.

"In only 14 housewives was the diet for the day judged adequate, even by present standards," the report said. "This improper feeding was never attributable to lack of money. The housewife's family always fared much better than she did."

Dr Instone also found that most of the women had an attitude of "defeatism" toward planning meals and exercised no "innervation." "The younger women were more adaptable than the older ones," who had known better days," she reported.

Some of the doctor's other findings: Worries—only 12 women said they had no worries. Each of the remaining 49 had some significant anxiety about marital problems, the family, housing, money or rationing, and four said they were "anxious about everything."

Smoking—There were 27 non-smokers. Of the remainder, only three smoked more than 20 cigarettes a day; many were trying to cut down smoking to save money.

Leisure—Twenty-one said they had "No leisure at all."

Recreations—All but seven went to the movies, usually once a week, sometimes twice. A few women said what they most enjoyed was a chance to sit down.—Associated Press.

Plane Wreckage Spotted

Athens, Dec. 22.—A search plane today reported spotting the wreckage of a lost Czech air liner on a Peloponnese promontory, but local ground parties later failed to find it.

(The Czech air liner had 19 passengers and five crew on board, it was stated in Prague.) Greek and American planes which started searching early today could not confirm the reported discovery of the liner because of poor visibility and heavy clouds.

Worsening weather conditions stopped the air search later today. It will be resumed tomorrow. The crew included Chief Pilot Foklar, a Czech, who acted as pilot for Winston Churchill during the war.—Reuter.

Jews In China Off To Israel

Shanghai, Dec. 23.—The deadline for the registration of Jews in China desiring to enter Israel has been set for December 31, after which no further applications will be received, Palestine Office of the Jewish Agency announced here last night.

The announcement explained that the deadline was decided owing to the coming departure of Mr. Yuval, the Israeli Vice-Consul in New York, who arrived here recently for the purpose of aiding Jews in this country to evacuate to their homeland.

Eight hundred eighty-five Jews are expected to leave for Israel sometime tomorrow on board the Wooster Victory, which arrived here yesterday.

According to a spokesman of the International Refugee Organisation, the vessel will make for Genoa on the first leg of its journey to Israel.

The IRO headquarters here until last night had no definite information on the probable arrival date of Castel Bianca, which was recently damaged in a typhoon off Manila.

The Castel Bianca was scheduled to carry another 287 refugees to Palestine.—Reuter.

Railwaymen's Dispute

London, Dec. 22.—The National Union of Railwaymen will consider itself free to call a strike within 21 days if the Minister of Labour fails to take action following the Union's decision tonight to notify him that "a dispute now exists" with the authorities in charge of the State-owned transport system.

The transport authorities have rejected the Union's demand for a weekly wage increase of 12 shillings and six pence.

The Minister of Labour Mr. George Isaacs, is expected to refer the dispute to arbitration or to an industrial court with power to investigate and report.

Alternatively, he may appoint a court of enquiry to hear evidence from the Union and the management. The Union has 500,000 members.—Reuter.

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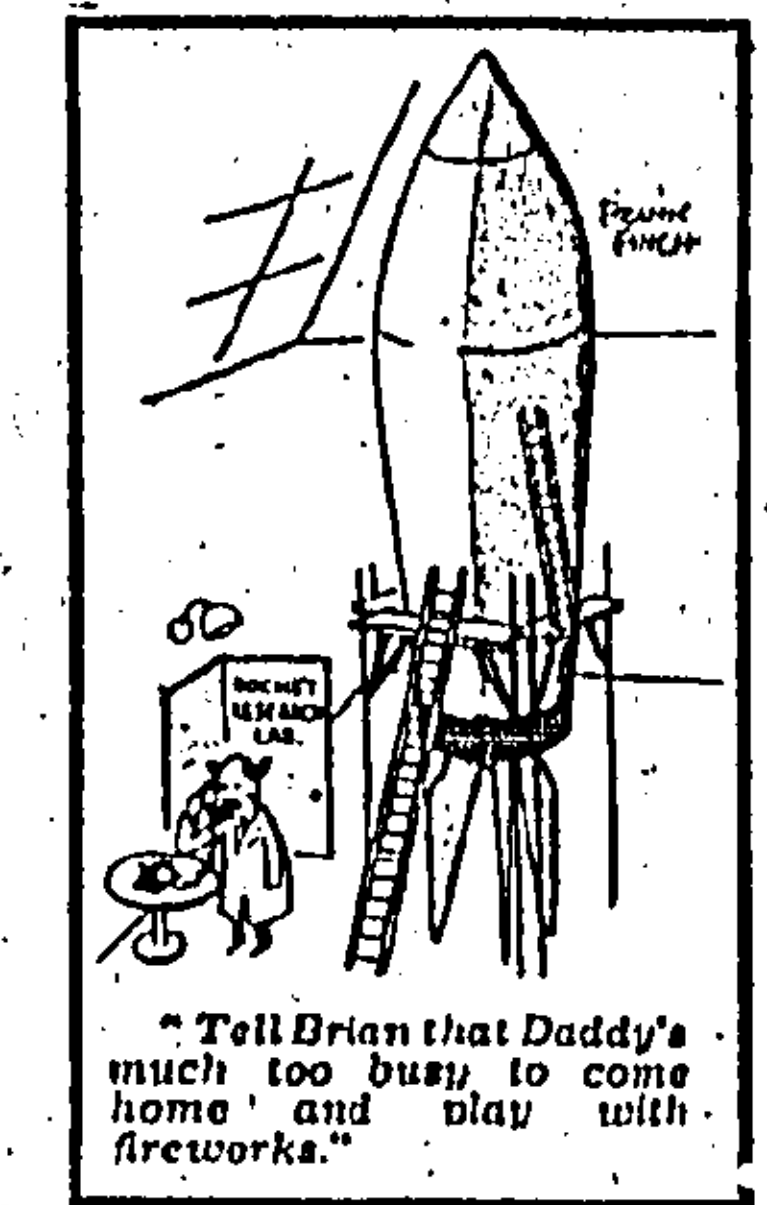
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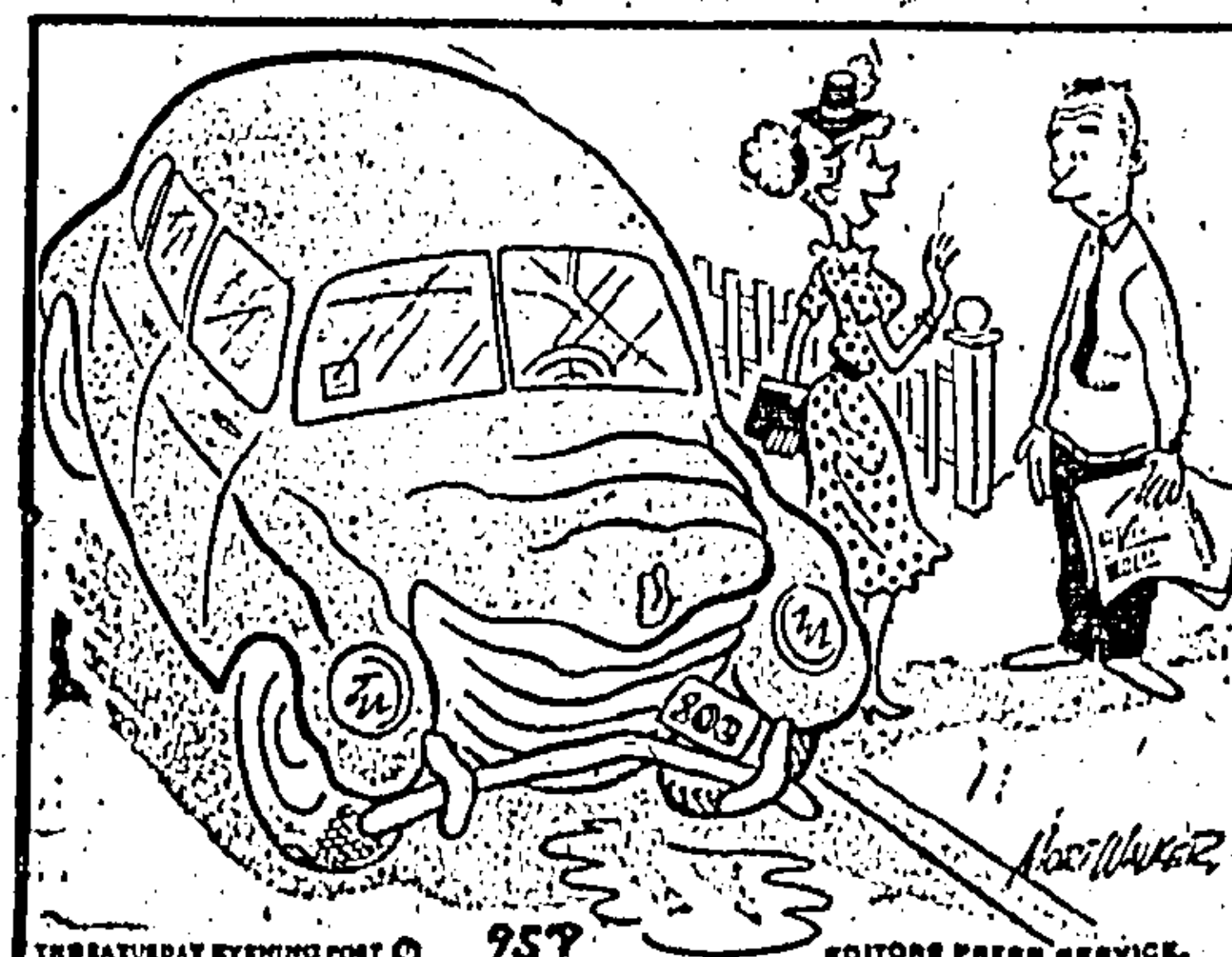
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